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1. Location

In the northern section of CHELYABINSK (61°25'N/55°10'E),
east of the Miass River.

2. Plant Installations

There was an old rolling mill and the excavation for a new
one started in early 1948. This mill is eventually to include
the site of PW Camp No. 7629. A new power station with three
boilers has been under construction next to the old power sta-
tion since 1942. One of the boilers was designed for coal firing,
the other two presumably for gas firing, the gas to be supplied by
the coking plant located to the north. The coal boiler was put
in operation in late 1948; the other two boilers were scheduled
to be put into operation in early 1949. It was not known
whether the fixed time target was met. The plant has numerous
spur tracks (see Annex).

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Comment:

a. The existence of the Bakalstroi Iron and Steel Plant,
about 7 miles north of CHELYABINSK, between the villages of
KAZANZEVO and KRUGLOYE, was known before.

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b. Exhaustive and correct information on all the installations
of this important plant can never be obtained. How-
ever, this report, when compared with previous information,
seems to furnish a correct picture of the general distribution
of the most important plant installations and gives credible
details on the size and type of construction of the individual
buildings.

The attached sketch does not indicate the boundaries of the
plant area

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A question mark has been placed at the side of the arrow indicating the cardinal point. However, the agreement of the distribution of the individual plant departments as represented on the attached Annex with a former report and the same representation of the plant spur tracks leading to the plant in an NE and SW direction make it probable that the cardinal point was correctly stated.

c. Of particular interest is the statement on the construction of a second rolling mill (Annex, No. 2). This confirms a previous report. An intended increase of the plant capacity can be inferred from the construction of this second rolling mill.

d. Further information of a more recent date is required in order to clarify the picture of this plant.

1 Annex: Metallurgical Plant Bakalstro, in CHELYABINSK

Legend to Annex

- 1 PW Camp No. 7629
- 2 New rolling mill
- 3 Old rolling mill, constructed in 1941, brick structure with oval roof supported by a steel frame
- 4 Foundry
- 5 Electric locomotive repair shop, 180x50x60 feet
 - 5 a Assembly hall with spur track
 - 5 b Lathe and milling department
 - 5 c Armature winding department
- 6 Open hearth plant with 5 furnaces
- 7 Sawmill
- 8 Old power plant with a boiler and smoke stack
- 9 New power plant, 270x600 feet with 3 smoke stacks
 - a Turbine
 - b Gas firing boiler
 - c Coal firing boilers
 - d Presumably coal boiler
 - e Crane
- 10 Gas container, 45 feet high and 4 to 5 feet in diameter
- 11 Gas pipe, above ground, 4 to 5 feet in diameter
- 12 Two blast furnaces or gas containers
- 13 Coking plant
- 14 New school.

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